

## The Big Decommodification

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Tired of that rundown shack you live in—for which each month you must cough up the rent money or a mortgage payment? No doubt, you're chomping at the bit for the chance to move into clean, spectacular, state-of-the-art government housing.

Well, you're in luck! That is, if you live in New York City.

You see, on Tuesday evening, Sean Hannity <u>informed</u> his Fox News audience that Zohran Mamdani, the Democrats' mayoral nominee, has a "plan to slowly eliminate home ownership in New York City."

"If we want to end the housing crisis, the solution *has* to be moving toward the *full* decommodification of housing,"

Mamdani declares in a 2021 video for the Gravel Institute. "In other words, moving away from the status quo, in which most people access housing by purchasing it on the market."

He says, "We'll have to go beyond the market."

That "has to be" the solution? Why? Because Mamdani's socialist/communist dogma dictates that government should be the provider of all shelter? The "decommodification" must be "full" and complete. No private home can be permitted to be bought or sold ... or lived in anymore.

Surely that would solve our problems.

The democratic socialist suggests that the government "gradually buy up housing on the private market and convert it to community ownership," urging the city to "fully commit to a new era of social housing ... using *our* wealth to build beautiful, high-quality social housing projects that offer good homes and strong communities to everyone."

Yes, taxpayers, get ready to invest in the sparkling future of public housing. <u>Cabrini-Green</u> here we all come!

This is Common Sense. I'm Paul Jacob.